CHAPTER 10-13-11 PURGING AND SEALING OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION

Court Order Required
Purging Limited
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10-13-11-01. Court order required. Criminal history records, or portions thereof, may be purged or sealed only when expressly authorized by state or federal law and pursuant to a court order.

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10-13-11-02. Purging limited. Purging must be accomplished so as to retain records or portions of records which are not the direct objective of a purge order. Agencies may destroy an entire record, including fingerprints, photos, and arrest and disposition data, or they may destroy only specific portions of a record to accomplish the required purge.

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- **10-13-11-03.** Access to sealed records. Criminal justice agencies may access sealed records for the following purposes:
 - 1. Records management.
 - 2. Review by the record subject.
 - 3. Authorized research and statistical purposes.
 - 4. Upon court order.

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10-13-11-04. Methods of sealing. Records may be sealed by attaching a special marking to sealed files, or by removal from the general record file and storage in a separate, secured file. In automated systems, sealing will be

accomplished by limiting access to the sealed records or portions thereof to specific terminals or specifically authorized persons, or both.

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